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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
LAW AND JUSTICE

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

3:00 p.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Law and Justice was called to order by Chairman Kesto.

Members present: Reps. Kesto, Lucido, Graves, Howrylak, Roberts, Theis, Albert, Chang, Robinson, Guerra, Liberati, Wittenberg.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Lucido moved to adopt the minutes of April 17, 2018. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5658 (Cox) Criminal procedure; evidence; admissibility of prior acts of sexual crimes; allow under certain circumstances.

Representative Cox testified in support of the bill.

Lore A. Rogers, representing the Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Board, and Anica Letica, representing the Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Kathy Hagenian, representing the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Sgt. Tim Fitzgerald, representing the Michigan State Police.

KC Steckelberg, representing the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan.

Mary Pollock, representing the American Association of University Women.

Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bills before the committee:

HB 5794 (Iden) Crimes; penalties; crime of aggravated production, financing, and distribution of child sexually abusive material; provide for.

HB 5660 (Love) Crimes; penalties; crime of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material; provide increased penalty.

HB 5661 (Farrington) Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crime of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material; provide for.

Representative Iden, Representative Love, and Representative Farrington, testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Kelly Carter and Alan Cropsey, both representing the Michigan Department of Attorney General Bill Schuette, testified in support of the bills. Anica Letica, representing the Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette, came forward to address questions. Discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bills, but did not wish to speak:

Lore A. Rogers, representing the Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Board.
Mary Pollock, representing the American Association of University Women.
Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference.

Kimberly Buddin, representing the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, submitted a card in opposition to HB 5660 and HB 5661, as introduced, but did not wish to speak.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5798 (Albert) Crime victims; statements; definition of the term "victim" for purposes of impact statements; expand.

Representative Albert testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Mary Pollock, representing the American Association of University Women.
Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference.

Chairman Kesto laid the committee at ease, the time being 4:01 p.m.
Vice-Chairman Lucido took the gavel and called the committee back to order, the time being 4:02 p.m.

Vice-Chairman Lucido laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5537 (Kesto) Crimes; other; preventing reporting of crime; prohibit by use of position of authority.

Chairman Kesto testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.
The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Mary Pollock, representing the American Association of University Women.
Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Catholic Conference.
Sgt. Tim Fitzgerald, representing the Michigan State Police.
Lore A. Rogers, representing the Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Board.

Vice-Chairman Lucido laid the committee at ease, the time being 4:21 p.m.
Chairman Kesto returned to the gavel and called the committee back to order, the time being 4:22 p.m.

The Chair returned to HB 5537, HB 5660, HB 5661, HB 5794 and HB 5798.

Kathy Hagenian, representing the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, testified in support, in principle, of HB 5537, HB 5660, HB 5661, HB 5794, and HB 5798. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Kesto adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:36 p.m.

Representative Klint Kesto, Chair_____

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